

## SENATE RESOLUTION 245

By Wilder

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Cameron Irene Perlish.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as exemplary individuals of whom we all can be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Cameron Irene Perlish, who evinces the utmost integrity and courage in her ongoing fight to overcome the disease Fanconi Anemia; and

WHEREAS, a fourth-grader at Richland Elementary School who possesses an indomitably positive outlook, Cameron has served as a model citizen for all those around her, young and old alike; and

WHEREAS, Miss Perlish recently traveled from her home in Memphis to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she received a stem cell transplant at the University of Minnesota Fairview Hospital; under the skilled care of Dr. John Wagner, Dr. Margaret McMillan, her favorite nurse Holly Eiden, and her Care Partner Nance Alexander, she remained there for three months, serving as a quintessential ambassador of this State and unwaveringly demonstrating a bright disposition and cheerfulness in all her interactions with others; and

WHEREAS, Cameron's family has roundly supported her throughout her trials. Her mother, Leighsa McCommon, traveled with her and stayed by her side during her stay in Minnesota; her brother, Conlan Nathaniel Perlish, made the successful operation possible through his donation of cord blood cells; her grandmother, Beverly Anderson, traveled to Minnesota to visit her; her stepfather, Bob McCommon, demonstrated his solidarity by shaving his head; and her brother, Reese Calvin Perlish, her stepsister, Allison Ragan McCommon, and her stepbrother, Jesse Anderson McCommon, have bolstered her efforts to combat infection; and

WHEREAS, many other members of the Memphis community also have supported Miss Perlsh and her family throughout their difficulties, including Phyliss Scott, Jennifer and Andy Messer, Faith Pawlik and Jim Messineo, Vic and Carol Feisal, and her entire fourth grade class taught by Linda Robinson; and

WHEREAS, Cameron epitomizes the indomitable spirit and commitment to purpose that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Miss Perlsh as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor Cameron Irene Perlsh for her exceptional efforts to overcome Fanconi Anemia, commend her conduct as an exemplary ambassador of this State, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, healthy future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.